Please amend the present application as follows:

Claims

The following is a copy of Applicant's claims that identifies language being added with underlining ("___") and language being deleted with strikethrough ("———") or bracketing ("[[ ]]"), as is applicable:

1-22. (Canceled)

23. (Currently amended) A retrieval device comprising:

a handle;

an elongated sheath extending from the handle, the sheath having a proximal end connected to the handle and a distal end opposite the proximal end;

a first operating member having a proximal end positioned within the handle and a distal end positioned adjacent the distal end of the sheath such that the first operating member extends from within the handle and into the sheath;

a second operating member having a proximal end positioned within the handle and a distal end positioned adjacent the distal end of the sheath such that the second operating member extends from within the handle and into the sheath;

a three-dimensional basket having at least three legs, each leg having a proximal end and a distal end, the distal end of each leg ~~having a forward end that is~~ being coupled ~~at a junction of the basket~~ to a tip member, the proximal end of first and second legs being connected to the distal end of the first operating member, and the

proximal end of a third leg being connected to the distal end of the second operating member; and

a first actuator**[[,]]** configured to extend the first operating member so as to extend the first and second legs ~~a first and a second leg~~ and to simultaneously retract the second operating member so as to retract the ~~a~~ third leg ~~of the basket~~, such that the ~~junction of the basket~~ tip member is displaced rearward and the first and second legs are displaced away from each other to facilitate maneuvering the basket around an object.

24. (Previously presented) The retrieval device of claim 23, wherein the first actuator comprises a wheel that is actuated by rotating the wheel.

25-32. (Canceled)

33. (Previously presented) The retrieval device of claim 23, wherein the legs are formed from a shape-memory material.

34. (Currently amended) The retrieval device of claim 23, wherein the ~~junction comprises a~~ tip member ~~having~~ comprises a hole, each leg being secured to the tip member by inserting the forward end of the leg into the hole and crimping the tip member.

35-36. (Canceled)

37. (Previously presented) The retrieval device of claim 23, further comprising a second actuator configured to simultaneously extend or retract the first and second operating members so as to simultaneously displace the legs of the basket such that the basket translates forward or rearward depending upon the direction of manipulation of the second actuator.

38. (Currently amended) The retrieval device of claim 37, wherein the second actuator comprises a slide that is actuated by axially translating the slide.

39-40. (Canceled)

41. (New) A retrieval device comprising:

a hollow handle having first and second longitudinal slots;

a slide actuator that can be axially displaced along the handle via the first slot;

opposed first and second gear racks disposed within the handle and supported by the slide actuator;

a rotatable actuator that can be axially displaced along the handle via the second longitudinal slot, the rotatable actuator being mounted to the slide actuator and comprising a gear that engages the first and second gear racks;

an elongated sheath extending from the handle, the sheath having a proximal end connected to the handle and a distal end opposite the proximal end;

a first operating member having a proximal end positioned within the handle and a distal end positioned adjacent the distal end of the sheath such that the first operating member extends from within the handle and through the sheath, the first operating member being coupled to the first gear rack;

a second operating member having a proximal end positioned within the handle and a distal end positioned adjacent the distal end of the sheath such that the second operating member extends from within the handle and through the sheath, the second operating member being coupled to the second gear rack; and

a three-dimensional basket having at least three legs, each leg having a proximal end and a distal end, the distal end of each leg being coupled to a tip member, the proximal end of first and second legs being connected to the distal end of the first operating member, and the proximal end of a third leg being connected to the distal end of the second operating member;

wherein displacement of the slide actuator in a direction toward the distal end of the sheath simultaneously extends the basket legs from the sheath and displacement of the slide actuator in a direction away from the distal end of the sheath simultaneously retracts the basket legs into the sheath;

wherein rotation of the rotatable actuator in a first direction moves the first and second gear racks so as to extend the first operating member and the first and second legs and to simultaneously retract the second operating member and the third leg, and wherein rotation of the rotatable actuator in a second direction opposite the first direction moves the first and second gear racks so as to extend the second operating

member and the third leg and to simultaneously retract the first operating member and the first and second legs.

42. (Previously presented) The retrieval device of claim 41, wherein the operating members comprise tubes.

43. (Previously presented) The retrieval device of claim 41, wherein the basket legs are formed from a shape-memory material.